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SUBJECT: STATUS OF EC-CANADIAN NEGOTIATIONS OF FISHERY AGREEMENT

1. CANADIAN AMBASSADOR CADIEUX INFORMED US TODAY THAT A CANADIAN TEAM IS COMING TO BRUSSELS DECEMBER 15 FOR "PRE-LIMINARY DISCUSSIONS" ON A FISHERIES AGREEMENT WITH THE EC COMMISSION. THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE VISIT WOULD BE TO DETERMINE THE GENERAL SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF AN AGREEMENT COVERING FISHING BY EC MEMBERS IN THE CANADIAN 200 MILE FISHING ZONE AND CANADIAN FISHING IN THE NEW EC ZONES (APPARENTLY LIMITED IN TERMS OF CATCH TO WATERS OFF THE FRENCH DEPARTMENT OF ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON AND GREENLAND). THE CANADIANS BELIEVE THAT ALLUSIONS BY EC COMMISSIONER GUNDELACH AT THE NOVEMBER 16 FOREIGN MINISTER'S EC COUNCIL AND AT A PRESS CONFERENCE ON NOVEMBER 27 REGARDING LACK OF CANADIAN RESPONSE TO EC APPROACHES ON NEGOTIATIONS ARE

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INTENDED TO PUT PRESSURE ON CANADA TO START FORMAL NEGOTIATIONS. WE SUGGESTED THAT A MAJOR ELEMENT IN

GUNDELACH'S STRATEGY IS TO STRENGTHEN THE EC'S HAND IN DEALING WITH THE USSR AND OTHER COUNTRIES WHO ARE CURRENTLY RELUCTANT TO RECOGNIZE EC COMPETENCE IN THIS MATTER.

2. AMBASSADOR CADIEUX SAID THAT CANADA AND FRANCE HAVE AGREED TO CONTINUE THEIR 10 YEAR FISHERY COOPERATION AGREEMENT CONCLUDED IN 1972 WHICH PROVIDES FOR RECIPROCAL FISHING IN WATERS OFF ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON AND CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE CANADIAN WATERS WITHIN PRESENT FISHERY LIMITS. THERE MAY ALSO BE PROVISIONS FOR JOINT VENTURES AND ASSISTANCE. (COMMENT: APPARENT CANADIAN AND FRENCH OPTIMISM THAT THE COMMUNITY WILL ACCEPT CONTINUATION OF A SPECIAL GOF-GOC FISHERY TREATY AFTER CONCLUSION OF A COMPREHENSIVE FISHERY AGREEMENT WITH CANADA BY THE EC ON BEHALF OF ALL ITS MEMBERS MAY BE BASED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT PROPOSED PROVISIONS FOR EXCLUSIVE 12 MILE ZONES WILL BE ADOPTED FOR THE INTERNAL EC FISHERY REGIME.)

3. AMBASSADOR CADIEUX ALSO NOTED THAT AS AN INTERIM MEASURE FOR 1977 ACTUAL QUOTAS BY STOCKS FOR EC MEMBERS WITHIN THE NEW CANADIAN ZONE WILL BE THOSE AGREED WITHIN ICNAF WITH CANADIAN CONCURRENCE. FOR 1978 AND SUBSEQUENT YEARS HE SAW NO REASON WHY CANADA WOULD NOT BE PREPARED TO GRANT QUOTAS DIRECTLY TO THE EC UNDER TERMS OF AN APPROPRIATE FISHERY AGREEMENT. IN A SEPARATE CONVERSATION, A CANADIAN MISSION OFFICER TOLD US THAT, ALTHOUGH NEITHER SIDE HAS GONE FAR INTO THE SUBSTANCE OF A POSSIBLE FISHERY AGREEMENT, THE EC HAS ASKED THAT CANADA SHOULD PROVIDE FISHERY QUOTAS FOR THE EC AS A WHOLE WHICH THE EC ITSELF COULD DIVIDE BETWEEN ITS MEMBERS AND EVEN TRANSFER BETWEEN COUNTRIES IN THE COURSE OF THE YEAR.

4. ACCORDING TO THE CANADIAN DCM, AFTER AN EXCHANGE OF COMMUNICATIONS WITH OTTAWA REGARDING A POSSIBLE AGREEMENT, COMPETENCE OF THE EC TO CONCLUDE AND ENFORCE A FISHERY AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBER
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